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# Windy City Woodturners

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# January Mtg. Demo

Please join us at our January 18, 2022 mtg. when we will have Bill Hochmuth present a “show and tell” with his wonderful collection of woodturned items.

Bill's collection includes pieces from artists you know well and some that are not so well known. Each piece in Bill's collection includes a wonderful story about the piece, the artist, or the experience of acquiring the piece. It is sure to be an entertaining presentation you will not want to miss!

Stay tuned to your emails for the Zoom Mtg. invite.



# Message From Our President



## **Contributor : Marie Anderson**

Happy New Year and welcome to 2022!

Phew! I am wishing each of you health and prosperity in 2022.

We started the year with our first Banjo Session. Typically, these Banjo sessions are an opportunity for socialization, sharing what you are working on currently. This month, we decided to replay Kimberly Winkle's Milk Paint demo. If you missed it, you missed a good one!

As of now, we have a lot of irons in the fire for WCWT this year which I will share briefly here:



# Message From Our President Cont.

The board will be meeting before our January 18th club meeting. We have the typical things to review, membership, budget, demonstrations, events, project challenges, outreach opportunities, website, newsletter, etc. and of course a new venue for WCWT.

I would encourage each of you to reach out to any of the club officers with your comments and suggestions on what you would like this club to accomplish this year. If you have any suggestions for demonstrators or demonstration topics, please contact our Vice President, Nate Wick.

If you have skills and are willing to share your expertise, we are still looking for a replacement webmaster for our website.

As of right now, we are webmaster-less. Mark Dreyer has served his term (Thank you again Mark). At this point, we need someone to step up and offer your web skills as soon as possible! Please consider volunteering! Send me an email or call me!

If you have not renewed your membership for 2022 I would encourage you to do so - Send your checks to Nick Page...go do it right now! (Thank you!)



# Message From Our President Cont.

Paul Pycik is heading up a committee of 5 to search for a new home for WCWT. It is very early at this point, so if you have any suggestions, please contact Paul directly with the suggested venue and the person whom we should contact. Paul, Rich, Rich, Don and John are very busy following up on some of the suggestions that have already been received (considering this all happened just the week before Christmas they have done a great job so far).

That's all for this month's letter.

Stay safe, get to your lathes and create something!

Marie



**Webmaster Needed!**  
**Please reach out to**  
**Marie if you are**  
**interested**



# December Holiday Party

- ▶ The Club had our annual holiday party on Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at the Reserve 22 restaurant in Glen Ellyn. There were close to 30 attendees.
- ▶ The annual gift exchange was a huge hit as were the door prizes given out.
- ▶ The guests enjoyed an excellent buffet dinner



# December Holiday Party

There were a handful of contestants in the “cookie contest”. Some entries were edible and delicious, and others, looked tasty, but were turned on a lathe and decorated.

**Some of the cookie contest entries. Frank Pagura’s Oreo won 1<sup>st</sup> place**



# December Holiday Party Pics



Bill Hochmuth



Paul Pyrcik and Marie Anderson

# December Holiday Party Pics



SOCIAL HOUR BEFORE  
DINNER



# Holiday Party – THANK-YOU!

- ▶ Many members to thank for their efforts at the party but a special thanks to Bill and Sandy Hochmuth who were the main organizers of the celebration and ALSO supplied some excellent table centerpieces. Thanks also to Rich Nye for organizing the door prize gifts!



# Misc. Club Notes

Dues for 2022 are due! Thanks to those that have already paid.

*If you haven't paid yet, do it now, don't wait !!*

Make check payable to Windy City Woodturners and send \$25/individual or \$40/family to:

Nick Page  
670 Welch St.  
Gilberts, IL. 60136



# Misc. Club Notes

By now, you probably know we're looking for a new home for our Club meetings. Yes, we've lost our space at the Lisle Park District.



Shout-out to Paul Pyrcik, Search Committee Chairperson, along with Rich Nye, Rich Hall-Reppen, Don Johnson and John Dillon who are on the search committee.

**Please reach out to Paul at [pppyrcik@aol.com](mailto:pppyrcik@aol.com) if you have any "new location" suggestions.**

# Misc. Club Notes

Don't forget about our monthly "Banjo Sessions" which take place at 6 pm on the first Tuesday of each month.

*The January 4<sup>th</sup> Banjo Session featured a replay event of the Kimberly Winkle demonstration using milk paint to enhance the colors of your turning projects.*

Stay tuned to your emails each month (from Marie) which will provide the monthly topic and Zoom link.



# Misc. Club Notes

Did you know our very own Dick Sing has a number of his instructional videos being made available on the AAW Forum web-site?

I haven't counted them all, but there must be at least 15 videos now available.

These videos are produced by Chris DeHut and resurrected from videos produced for the Woodworking At Home Magazine.

We'll have to ask Dick to "fill us in" on some of the details related to these videos.



In the meantime, if you are an AAW member, and familiar with the forum, search them out. I can say the ones I watched are excellent.

# Women In Turning (WIT) News

From: Marie Anderson

The Women In Turning committee will be holding our first committee meeting of 2022 just after the due date for this month's newsletter so hopefully I will have more information for next month's newsletter!

First off, the committee decided to continue the WIT Presents series of artist spotlight interviews. The first interview of 2022 will take place on March 5th and will feature artist Tanya Radda. Tanya has been a woodturner since about 2000. She is known for her whimsical imagination, use of color and fine details on her Teapots, Lifeforms and her Babo Series pieces. As a student at A.S.U. she was awarded the Ed Moulthrop Fellowship in Craft 2001-2002 Scholarship Award.

This is not a demonstration, but rather an introduction to Tanya, her work and the things that inspire her as a woodturning artist. All WIT Presents presentations are free but you must register on the AAW website to attend (registration should open in February). Please note - all previous WIT Presents presentations are archived and available for viewing on the AAW website - WIT events page.

<https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Communities/Specialty-Programs/Women>



# Women In Turning (WIT) News Cont.

From: Marie Anderson

Attention! The WIT eXchange (Virtual version) is happening again! After the huge success of the first 2 Virtual WIT eXchange collaborative events, the committee has committed to holding our 3rd Virtual eXchange. Registration should open on March 8th (International Women's Day!) I will be reporting more about this next month. Gentlemen, if you know a woman that might be interested in joining this collaborative project, please have her contact me for more information. No experience in woodturning is necessary to participate. You will create, share, and learn in a supportive environment of other women from other parts of the country/world. It's an amazing experience!

**WIT**

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**Women in Turning**



# AAW News



## ***Call for Videographers - AAW Symposium 2022***

Application period: December 15, 2021 to February 15, 2022

The AAW seeks videographers for its 36th International Symposium in Chattanooga, Tennessee, July 23-26, 2022. Applicants must have experience with video camera equipment, possess technical competence, and be able to make decisions regarding what is being turned, camera position, shooting angle, etc. The application process will be open from December 15, 2021, through February 15, 2022. Videographers are required to help set up or tear down and do six rotations to receive a free Symposium registration. Selected videographers will be notified by March 2022.



# AAW News



## ***Bridging the Gap: the Craft and Art of Turning***

2022 AAW Member Exhibition

**Application period: January 1 to March 15, 2022**

The theme for the **2022 Symposium AAW member show** is Bridging the Gap: The Craft and Art of Turning.

The year's theme refers to the continuum of work being created by our members, from primarily functional to completely sculptural, and all points in between.

There are two cash prizes for this exhibition: \$300 Masters Choice, selected by the jurors, and \$200 People's Choice, selected by AAW 2022 Symposium attendees.

The show is open to any current AAW member and to fulltime students in art, design, or industry-related degree programs, regardless of AAW membership status.

## *The Space Between:* 2022 POP Exhibition and Auction

Application Period: December 1, 2021  
to **January 15, 2022**

The Professional Outreach Program (POP) is pleased to announce its 2022 exhibition and auction theme, **The Space Between**.

As POP brainstormed ideas for the 2022 show, the theme of “negative space” was a popular one. At its most basic, negative space is the space between, within and surrounding an object in an image. Sometimes it is subtle, sometimes obvious, sometimes playful, like the classic image of the vase and faces.

The Space Between suggests negative space, but also allows for a wide range of interpretations. The Space Between offers room for interpretations of personal relationships, social distancing, politics, generational differences, the passage of time, juxtapositions of form and color, or a striking silhouette, just to start.

As always, the POP exhibition is small scale, with a 6” x 6” x 6” size limit. The juried portion of the show is open to any AAW member and to full-time students in art, design, or industry-related degree programs, regardless of membership status.

# AAW Upcoming Events



AAW Upcoming events: more information and registration can be found here:

<https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Events>

Spanish language demonstration.

Saturday, January 15, 2022

6:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**TWB Presents: Mauricio Kolenc - Box with Hand-chased Threads**

Saturday, January 22, 2022 NOTE: Register by January 21 at noon Eastern Time.

3:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**AAW Presents: Mark Sfirri - Approaches of Designing for Woodturning**

Saturday, February 19, 2022 NOTE: Registration to open soon

3:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**Mark Dreyer (WCWT)** and John Underhill

**From Penturning to Pen Making: An Extended Look at Differentiating Yourself in the World of Pen Making and Casting**

# AAW Upcoming Events



Saturday, March 5, 2022 NOTE: Registration to open soon

4:00 p.m. Eastern Time

**WIT Presents: Tania Radda**

Always changing, various IRD's are available as shown on the AAW's IRD calendar found here: <https://community.woodturner.org/events/ird-demonstrations>

## In Person Events:

**April 22-23, 2022 Midwest Penturners Gathering, Schaumburg, IL**

**June 23-26, 2022 AAW National Symposium - Chattanooga, TN**

**July 29-31, 2022 Turn On! Chicago, Northbrook IL**

Do you have something to add to this calendar of events? Send it to John Dillon!

# AAW – What Does the AAW do for me?

## **Demonstrate? Me? I don't know how to even start...**

Have you ever thought, I would like to give back a little by doing a demo but I just don't know where to start (no problem!) or maybe you think that you don't have enough experience so no one would be interested (not true!). Well, I just found a new page on the AAW website that might be just the ticket to get you started demonstrating.

The AAW is dedicated to teaching the world to turn. They are actively adding things to the website to facilitate this mission. I was looking through the website and came across one of the newest pages (it was new to me anyway - I cannot tell you exactly when this section was added but I found it and wanted to share with you).

This page is called Demonstrators Direct. (From the website: "AAW's Demonstrator Direct: Develop A Demonstration is a learning module with resources intended for any turner who has been or will be conducting woodturning demonstrations.")

This is a step-by-step outline on how to develop a demonstration. It's 8 sections from Developing content, pre-planning, organizing, handouts, delivering the demo, AV elements, questions through to evaluation. They lay it out based on demoing for your local club, or local/regional symposium or a national symposium. There was obviously a lot of work put into this program and I would encourage you to check it out.

<https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Learn/Learn-to-be-a-Demonstrator>

# *Local Events You Should Know About*



# Midwest Pen Turners Gathering

- ▶ April 22 and 23, 2022, Marriott Northwest in Hoffman Estates
- ▶ In-Person
- ▶ Top Of The Line Demonstrators
  - Dick Sing - WCWT!
  - John Underhill
  - Ed Brown
  - Mark Dreyer - WCWT!
- ▶ Top Of The Line Vendors
- ▶ Top Of The Line Sponsors
- ▶ Registration Is Open
- ▶ <http://midwestpenturnersgathering.com/>



# TURN-ON! CHICAGO 2022

- ▶ **July 29 – 31, 2022**
  - ▶ **Crowne Plaza Chicago-Northbrook**
  - ▶ **Northbrook, Illinois**
  - ▶ **<http://www.turnonchicago.com/>**
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- 3 days of demonstrations from professional woodturning artists
  - There will be 20 demonstrations on both Friday and Saturday to choose from during 4 – 90 minute rotations each day.
  - There will be 9 demonstrations plus an Instant Gallery Critique to choose from on Sunday during 2 – 90 minute rotations.
  - Trade Show with multiple Vendors
  - Instant Gallery to display your artwork
  - Hands-On Pen turning activity.
  - Saturday evening banquet and auction.



# Windy City Officers

Please reach out to your officers with any questions; concerns; compliments, etc.

We are always looking for meeting topics and demonstrators! Please feel free to also ask about volunteer opportunities.



- ▶ Marie Anderson – President [danmar12@yahoo.com](mailto:danmar12@yahoo.com)
- ▶ Nathan Wick – Vice President [nwick@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nwick@sbcglobal.net)
- ▶ Nick Page – Treasurer [nicklpage@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nicklpage@sbcglobal.net)
- ▶ John Dillon – Secretary/Newsletter Editor [dillon60119@att.net](mailto:dillon60119@att.net)
- ▶ Jason Clark – Immediate Past President [jclark58@gmail.com](mailto:jclark58@gmail.com)

# THANK-YOU!

## WCWT 2022 Committee Volunteers

### ▶ **Photography - Dave Burke**

Photograph club activities and events.



### ▶ **Events - Don Johnston**

Help coordinate and organize club events and activities. Seek out opportunities for the club to further our mission to promote and educate the public about woodturning.



# THANK-YOU!

## WCWT 2022 Committee Volunteers

### ▶ **Raffle**– Richard Nye

Source wood, tools, and woodturning related accessories from various sources including donations, discounts, and purchases to be used for the monthly raffle.



### ▶ **A/V** – Bob Bergstrom/Mark Jundanian

Setup and run audio and video equipment at club meetings and presentations.



### ▶ **Library**- Rich Hall-Reppen

Organize and maintain the club's stock of books, magazines, DVDs, and other materials.



# *And Finally.....*

- This is your newsletter and personal stories, events and other tidbits are welcome.
- Tools for sale? Garage Sales? Fresh cut logs? Let us know.
- Photos of shop improvements or new ideas? Maybe you got a new lathe? Took a class from a pro? Let's share.....
- Birthdays, baby births and wedding information all make for good news in newsletters, so please share what's going on in your family life!
- Send any "news items" you might have to John Dillon at [dillon60119@att.net](mailto:dillon60119@att.net)

